HAP CHECK NEWS February 2019



HOUSING AUTHORITY of the City of Long Beach

## **Government Shutdown News**



Prior to the release of this newsletter, we issued a prepared statement saying that we have federal funding to make Housing Assistance Payments (HAP) through February, 2019. (This message is also posted on our www.haclb.org.) website On January 25, 2019, the president signed a funding Continuing Resolution until February 15, 2019 to continue funding negotiations with Congress, thus ending the shutdown for three weeks. HUD is back to work and has given directives to make funds available for March and April. HUD is also updating a contingency plan in the event of another shutdown. Please refer to our website at www.haclb.org, where we will keep you updated on the latest developments.

Please note that your tenants cannot be evicted for non-payment of the Housing Authority's HAP portion. They

are, also, not responsible for covering the Housing Authority's portion. Tenants are only responsible for their portion of the rent, per the terms of the lease and the HAP contract.

### Owner Highlight!



Chuckie Miller has been an owner partner with the Housing Authority in the City of Long Beach for over 10 years. During his partnership, he has housed over 50 HCV participants. He has also assisted participants with Holiday dinners through his nonprofit, Kids Fitness: Say Yes to Life. He is always willing to lend a helping hand, which is evident in his continued involvement with the HCV program. Chuckie had this to say about his partnership with the Housing Authority:

Changing lives it is a great joy and so is putting a smile on someone's face. I like working with the Housing Authority because I know I'm helping low-income families find affordable housing.

Join us in congratulating February's Owner of the Month – Chuckie Miller!

\*If you would like to nominate an owner to highlight, please email <a href="mailto:kari.faithful@longbeach.gov">kari.faithful@longbeach.gov</a>.

## February's Featured Speaker



Join us Wednesday, February 20th for an informational presentation from The Fair Housing Foundation Long Beach. You do not want to miss this informative discussion! The topic of February's conversation will be Owner and Landlord rights. Representatives will be on hand to talk about your responsibilities, rights and obligations, quidelines, and any other specific concerns you may have.

Fair Housing Foundation LB Wednesday, February 20<sup>th</sup> 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Housing Authority Offices 521 E. 4<sup>th</sup> Street

Seating is limited – to RSVP or for more information, please call (562) 570-6033 or email <u>HACLB-OwnerServices@longbeach.gov</u>.

We look forward to seeing you!



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#### **HACLB TIP of the Month**



Does your property have peeling paint? Peeling paint could be detrimental to children and pregnant women. The City of Long Beach has a Lead Hazard Control Program (LHCP) that can help! The LHCP inspects older apartment buildings and private homes to see if: 1) there is leadbased paint, 2) if it is loose, flaky, or chalking, and 3) who might be getting sick from it. If there is a hazard to residents, the LHCP hires contractors to fix the leadbased paint problems. For more information call (562) 570-4488 or email the LHCP at lead-hazardcontrol@longbeach.gov.

\*The LHCP will be our featured presenter at the April 16<sup>th</sup> owner meeting.

# The New 2018/2019 Administrative Plan

Remember to check out our new 2018 – 2019 Administrative Plan, now available to view online. The Administrative Plan is a policy manual that guides The Housing Authority in processes related to

administering rental subsidy programs in Long Beach. Please see the latest edition of our policy manual here:

http://www.longbeach.gov/global assets/haclb/medialibrary/documents/about/adminplan-100118.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

#### TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

# Long Beach Housing Authority – (562) 570-6985

Upcoming Events at the Housing Authority:

- February 20<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m.
   Fair Housing Foundation presentation
- March 21st at 4 p.m. New Owner Orientation RSVP (562) 570-6033 or email HACLB-

OwnerServices@longbeach.gov.

# Fair Housing Foundation – (562) 989-1206

Landlord Rights Workshop
Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Neighborhood Resource Center
100 W. Broadway, #550
LB, CA 90802
Call (562) 989-1836 for more
upcoming classes.
To RSVP to an event, visit

http://www.fairhousingfoundation.co m/10/2017/calendar.html. These events are held free of cost.

## **IMPORTANT NUMBERS**

### **Bureau Manager**

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Kari Faithful 570-6033

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**Intake Coordinator** 

Mechell Roberts 570-6285

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